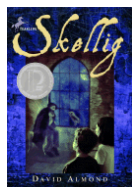


6th GRADE Suggested Reading List

All books are located in Juvenile Fiction or Juvenile Paperbacks by Author.

* *This book is part of a series or trilogy.*



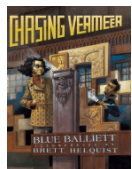
Almond, David SKELLIG

Unhappy about his baby sister's illness and the chaos of moving into a dilapidated old house, Michael retreats to the garage and finds a mysterious stranger who is something like a bird and something like an angel.



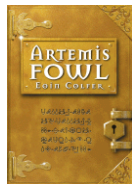
Avi CRISPIN: THE CROSS OF LEAD

Falsely accused of theft and murder, an peasant boy in fourteenth-century England flees his village and meets a larger-than-life juggler who holds a dangerous secret.



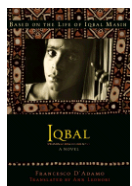
Balliett, Blue CHASING VERMEER *

When unrelated and strange events start to happen and a precious Vermeer painting disappears, eleven-year-olds Petra and Calder combine their talents to solve an international art scandal.



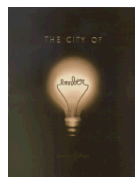
Colfer, Eoin ARTEMIS FOWL *

When a 12-year-old evil genius tries to restore his family fortune by capturing a fairy and demanding a ransom in gold, the fairies fight back with magic, technology, and a particularly nasty troll.



D'Adamo, Francesco IQBAL

A fictionalized account of the Pakistani child who escaped from bondage in a carpet factory and went on to help liberate other children like him before being gunned down at the age of thirteen.



Duprau, Jeanne CITY OF EMBER *

In the year 241, 12-year-old Lina trades jobs on Assignment Day to a Messenger to run to new places in her decaying but beloved city.



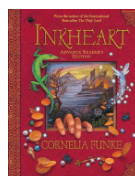
Farmer, Nancy THE SEA OF TROLLS

After Jack becomes apprenticed to a Druid bard, he and his sister Lucy are captured by Viking Berserkers and taken to the home of King Ivar the Boneless and his half-troll queen, leading Jack to undertake a quest to Jotunheim, home of the trolls.



Fox, Paula ONE-EYED CAT

An eleven-year-old shoots a stray cat with his new air rifle, subsequently suffers from guilt, and eventually assumes responsibility for it.



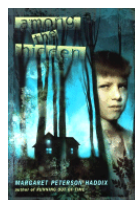
Funke, Cornelia INKHEART *

12-year-old Meggie learns that her father, who repairs and binds books for a living, can "read" fictional characters to life when one of those characters abducts them and tries to force him into service.



Gaiman, Neil CORALINE

Looking for excitement, Coraline ventures through a mysterious door into a world that is similar, yet disturbingly different from her own, where she must challenge a gruesome entity in order to save herself, her parents, and the souls of three others.



Haddix, Margaret Peterson AMONG THE HIDDEN *

In a future where the Police enforce the law of a family only having two children, Luke has lived his twelve years in isolation and fear on his family's farm, until another "third" convinces him that the government is wrong.



Kerr, P.B. THE AKHENATEN ADVENTURE *

When 12-year-old twins Philippa and John discover that they are descended from a long line of djinn, their mother sends them away to their Uncle Nimrod, who takes them to Cairo where he starts to teach them about their powers.



Konigsburg, E.L. THE VIEW FROM SATURDAY

Four students develop a special bond and attract the attention of their teacher, a paraplegic, who chooses them to represent their sixth-grade class in the Academic Bowl competition



Lord, Cynthia RULES

Frustrated at life with an autistic brother, twelve-year-old Catherine longs for a normal existence but her world is further complicated by a friendship with a young paraplegic.



Peck, Richard A YEAR DOWN YONDER

During the recession of 1937, fifteen-year-old Mary Alice is sent to live with her feisty, larger-than-life grandmother in rural Illinois and comes to a better understanding of this fearsome woman.



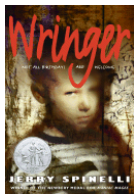
Rawls, Wilson WHERE THE RED FERN GROWS

A young boy living in the Ozarks achieves his heart's desire when he becomes the owner of two redbone hounds and teaches them to be champion hunters.



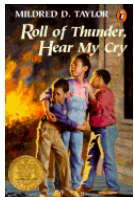
Sage, Angie MAGYK *

After learning that she is the Princess, Jenna is whisked from her home and carried toward safety by the Extraordinary Wizard, pursued by agents of those who killed her mother ten years earlier.



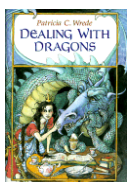
Spinelli, Jerry
WRINGER

As Palmer comes of age, he must either accept the violence of being a wringer at his town's annual Pigeon Day or find the courage to oppose it.



Taylor, Mildred
ROLL OF THUNDER, HEAR MY CRY

A black family living in the South during the 1930's is faced with prejudice and discrimination which the children don't understand.



Wrede, Patricia
DEALING WITH DRAGONS

Bored with traditional palace life, a princess goes off to live with a group of dragons and soon becomes involved with fighting against some disreputable wizards who want to steal away the dragons' kingdom.

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